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Lyle W. Cayce, Clerk
Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals
600 S. Maestri Place
New Orleans, LA 70130-3408

Re: USCA Case No. 12-20619; *Stephen Tapp, Plaintiff v. University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston-School of Dentistry, Defendants*; On appeal from U.S. District Court; Southern District of Texas, Houston Division; Civil Action No. 4:11-cv-02971

Mr. Cayce:

I, undersigned for Defendant(s), respectfully advise the Court that I will be on vacation out of state on May 16 and 17, 2013; July 3 through July 12, 2013; and October 11 and 14, 2013. I respectfully request that any hearings, conferences, trial, or other court appearances requiring my presence in the above-referenced matter not be scheduled during this period. I would also request no discovery be propounded during this period.

Thank you for your courtesy and consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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